## Montana Fish, Widlife & Parks Region 2 Hunter Check Station 2015 Season Totals

(Oct. 24-Nov. 29, 2015)

					White-							%	Snow
		No. of		Mule	tailed	Black					Total	Hunters	deptha
Station	Year	Hunters	Elk	deer	deer	bear	Moose	Sheep	Goat	Wolf	animals	w/ game	(in.)
Darby	2015 <sup>b</sup>	4,715	241	28	86	1	0	1	0	3	360	7.6	18
(includes	2014 <sup>b</sup>	4,444	161	35	110	1	1	3	0	1	312	7.0	40
HD 321)	2013	7,720	329	85	192	1	2	4	0	3	616	8.0	26
	2012	6,094	263	76	162	3	2	4	0	5	515	8.5	19
	2011	8,256	345	74	209	1	0	4	1	10	644	7.8	23
Anaconda	2015	1,359	60	24	23	2	2	2	0	1	114	8.4	16
	2014	1,523	41	15	22	2	0	3	0	0	83	5.4	20
	2013	1,423	46	15	15	0	0	0	0	0	76	5.3	12
	2012	1,577	56	30	15	0	0	0	0	0	101	6.4	9
	2011	1,766	90	34	16	0	0	0	0	1	141	8.0	11
Bonner	2015	6,628	53	63	391	4	0	0	0	0	511	7.7	12
	2014	6,108	51	56	382	2	1	1	0	0	493	8.1	36
	2013	6,750	56	51	327	2	0	0	0	0	436	6.5	23
	2012	6,518	78	58	359	2	0	0	0	0	497	7.6	24
	2011	6,660	107	65	329	5	2	0	1	1	510	7.7	43
All	2015	12,702	354	115	500	7	2	3	0	4	985	7.8	
Stations	2014	12,075	253	106	514	5	2	7	0	1	888	7.4	
through	2013	15,893	431	151	534	3	2	4	0	3	1,128	7.1	
3rd week	2012	14,189	397	164	536	5	2	4	0	0	1,113	7.8	
	2011	16,682	542	173	554	6	2	4	2	12	1,283	7.7	

<sup>~</sup>Wolf harvest only reflects those wolves checked at the R2 check stations; it is not total reported harvest.

WEATHER: Weather turned cold in week 5. Daily low temperatures were below zero and highs did not rise above 20 degrees in the valleys. Dry conditions prevailed.

## FWP began running a check station in Fish Creek (~30 miles west of Missoula) each weekend of the season in 2012.

Station	Year	No. of Hunters	Elk	Mule deer	White- tailed deer	Black bear	Moose	Sheep	Goat	Wolf~	Total animals	% Hunters w/ game	Snow depth <sup>a</sup> (in.)
Fish	2015	1,290	0	26	76	0	0	0	0	2	104	8.1	17
Creek	2014*												
	2013	1,626	4	20	68	0	0	0	0	0	92	5.7	32
	2012	1,546	4	24	60	0	0	0	0	2	90	5.8	40

<sup>\*</sup> FWP did not run a Fish Creek check station in 2014

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Snowtel sites at Saddle Mountain (Darby), Peterson Meadows (Anaconda) & Copper Camp (Bonner).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup>Darby Check Station was operated only on weekends beginning in 2014, compared with 7 days per week previously.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Snowtel site at Hoodoo Basin